

Magnetic biochar derived from Fenton sludge/CMC for high-efficiency removal of Pb(II): synthesis, application, and mechanism

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The specific surface area and pore size distribution of RFS, FS-450, and MBC were measured using N₂ adsorption-desorption experimental method, and the corresponding results are shown in Fig. S1. The specific surface area of FS-450 is $15.24 \text{ m}^2 \text{ g}^{-1}$, while that of MBC is $23.08 \text{ m}^2 \text{ g}^{-1}$ (Fig. S1a). This indicates that compared with a single FS-450, MBC not only utilizes the rich iron source of RFS to obtain magnetic substances, but also has an increase in specific surface area, which helps to improve the adsorption capacity of MBC. In addition, the average pore sizes of RFS and FS-450 measured are 5.96 nm and 30 nm respectively, while the average pore size of MBC is 15 nm (Fig. S1b,c), indicating that the pores in MBC samples mainly exist in the form of mesopores. From Fig. S1a, it can be seen that there is significant adsorption at higher relative pressures ($P/P_0 > 0.8$), indicating the presence of mesopores in the skeleton, which is consistent with the pore size measurement results mentioned above^[1]. MBC has a relatively large specific surface area; Compared with FS-450, the appropriate pore size (mesoporous, 2-50 nm) of MBC provides more opportunities for metal ions to reach the surface of the composite material, thereby enhancing the purification performance of the adsorbent^[2, 3].

Figure S1

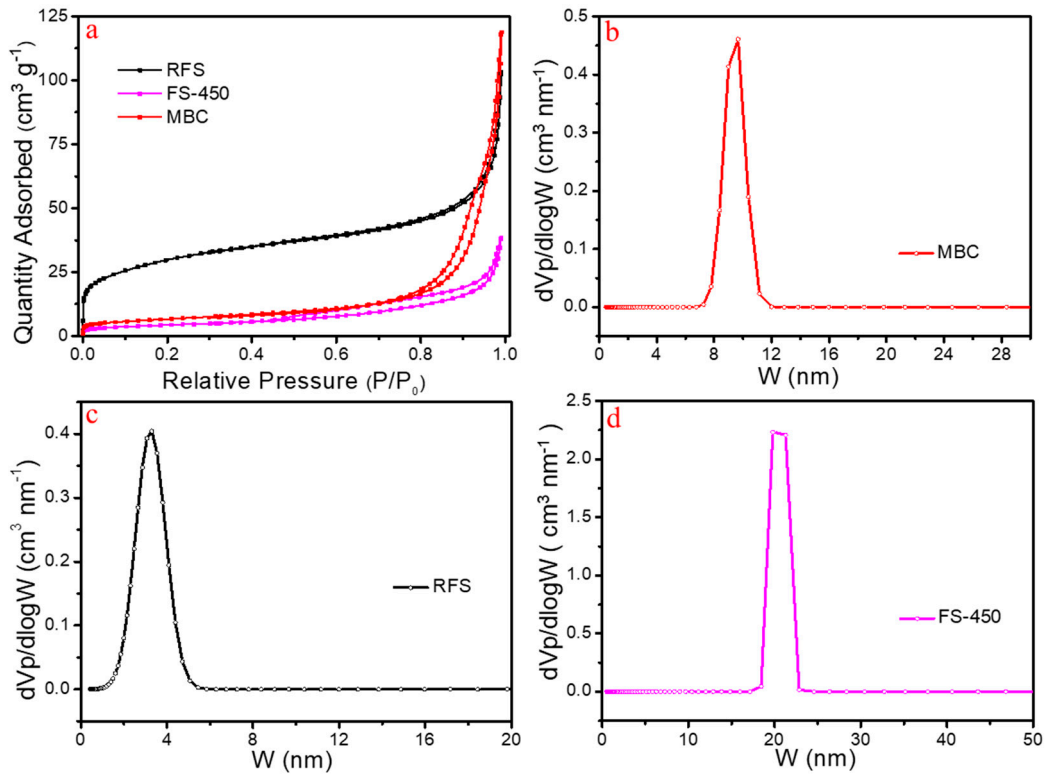


Figure S1. BET analysis of the samples (a); Distribution of pore diameter (b) MBC, (c) RFS and (d) FS-450.

Text S2

The pseudo-first-order, the pseudo-second-order equation and the intra-particle kinetic model, which are expressed as Eqs. (3), (4) and (5), respectively.

$$\ln(q_e - q_t) = \ln q_e - k_1 t \quad \text{or} \quad q_t = q_e (1 - \exp(-k_1 t)) \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{t}{q_t} = \frac{1}{k_2 q_e^2} + \frac{t}{q_e} \quad \text{or} \quad q_t = \frac{t}{(1/k_2 q_e^2 + t/q_e)} \quad (4)$$

$$q_t = k_{dif} t^{1/2} + C \quad (5)$$

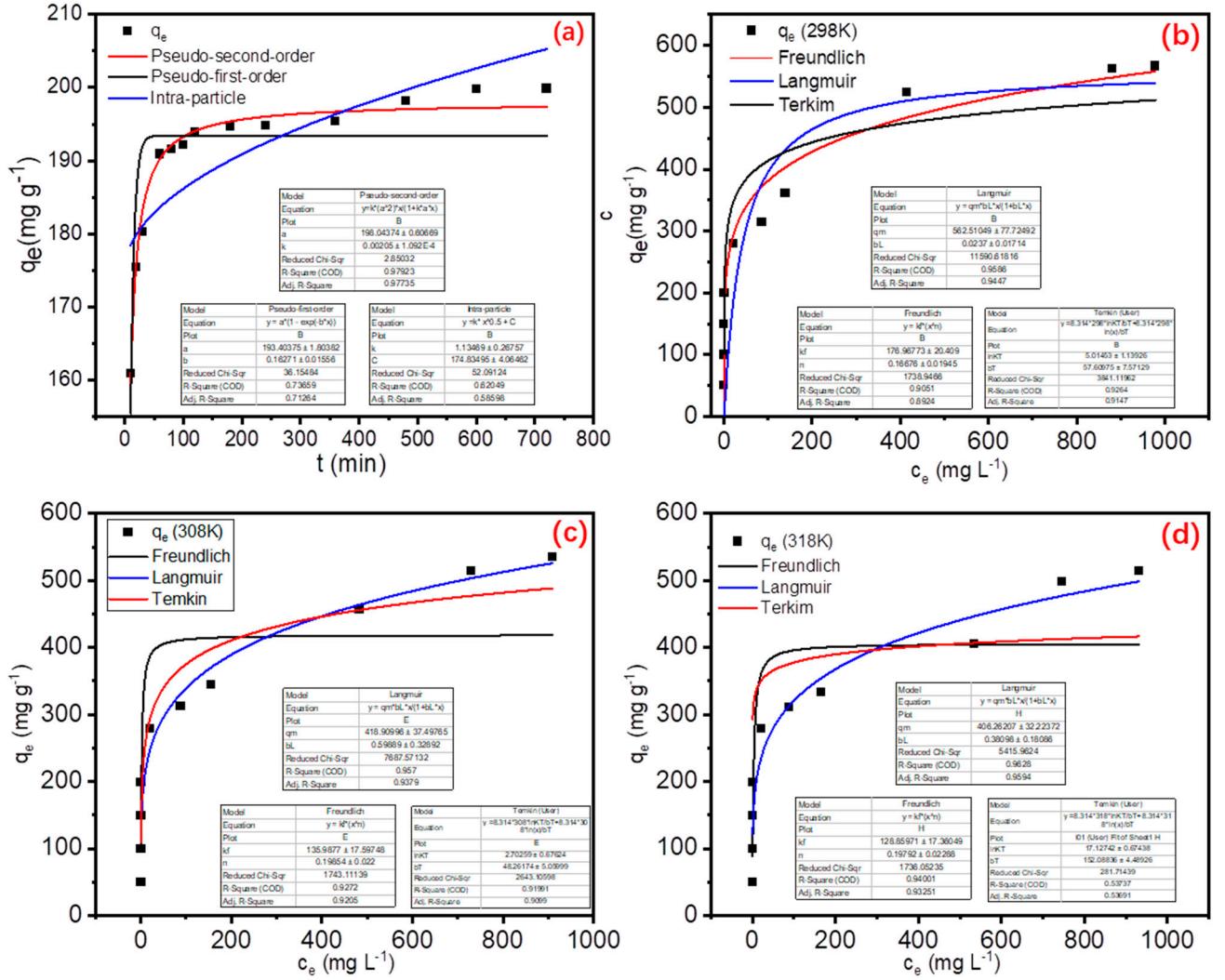


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The Langmuir isotherm model, Freundlich isotherm model and Temkin isotherm model.

$$\frac{c_e}{q_e} = \frac{c_e}{q_m} + \frac{1}{q_m K_L} \quad \text{or} \quad q_e = \frac{q_m K_L c_e}{1 + K_L c_e} \quad (5)$$

$$\ln q_e = \frac{1}{n} \ln c_e + \ln K_F \quad \text{or} \quad q_e = K_F c_e^{1/n} \quad (6)$$

$$q_e = \frac{RT}{b_T} \ln K_T + \frac{RT}{b_T} \ln c_e \quad (7)$$

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Adsorbent	Metal ions	q_{\max} (mg g ⁻¹)	Magnetization (emu g ⁻¹)	Ref.
CS-PAM-MCM	Pb(II)	63.67	7.6	[4]
Fe ₃ O ₄ @SiO ₂ -EDTA	Pb(II)	113.9	34.49	[5]
MAF-SCMNPs	Pb(II)	292	33.4	[6]
GO/ Fe ₃ O ₄ -g-G3.0	Pb(II)	181.4	13.8	[7]
MCGO	Pb(II)	112.35	—	[8]
rGO-PDTC/Fe ₃ O ₄	Pb(II)	147.06	—	[9]
Fe ₃ O ₄ @SiO ₂ -HO-S	Pb(II)	178.02	—	[10]
rGO-p(C ₃ N ₃ S ₃)/Fe ₃ O ₄	Pb(II)	270.3	19.5	[11]
β-CD@MRHC	Pb(II)	266.2	17.36	[12]
MP	Pb(II)	139.28	11.51	[13]
Ni _{0.6} Fe _{2.4} O ₄ -HT-COF	Pb(II)	411.80	39.83	[14]
MBC	Pb(II)	570.7	13.15	This study

Text S4

Materials: sodium carboxymethyl cellulose ([C₆H₇O₂(OH)₂OCH₂COONa]_n) and lead nitrate (Pb(NO₃)₂) and were purchased from Macklin Reagents. Silica gel (60-80 mesh) was purchased from Shanghai Institute of Inorganic Chemical Industry. Aluminum oxide was purchased from Shanghai Wusi Farm Chemical Reagent Factory. Activated carbon was purchased from Xinxiang City Pharmaceutical Company. Ion Exchange Resin was purchased from Jiangsu Suqing Water Treatment Engineering Group Co., Ltd. Pure water was obtained from Wahaha Group Co., Ltd.

Instrumentation: X-ray diffraction (XRD) pattern was collected on Bruker D8-AXS. X-ray photoelectron spectrometer (XPS) measurements were recorded on Escalab 250Xi. Structure and morphology were observed by scanning electron microscope (SEM) (SUPRA40, Carl Zeiss) and transmission electron microscopy (TEM) (JEM-2100, JEOL). The thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) was carried out with thermal analyzer (STA449F3, NETZSCH) under N₂ flow from 25°C to 900°C. N₂ adsorption-desorption isotherms were performed using Micromeritics ASAP2020. Magnetization was obtained using vibrating sample magnetometer (VSM) (MPMS3, Quantum). The pH-dependent surface charge was investigated by Zeta Potential (Mastersizer2000, Malvern).

The concentration of metal ions was determined by inductively coupled plasma-mass spectrometry (ICP-MS, PE ELAN DRC-e).

Text S5

The adsorption capacity q_e (mg g⁻¹) and removal efficiency of adsorbent was calculated according the following equations:

$$q_e = \frac{(C_0 - C_e)V}{m} \quad (1)$$

$$R\% = \frac{C_0 - C_e}{C_0} \times 100\% \quad (2)$$

where V (L) is the volume of the water solution, C_0 and C_e (mg L⁻¹) are the initial and equilibrium concentrations of the metal ions, m (g) is the mass of adsorbent used. All experiments were performed in triplicate.

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